Fiscal Note

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Department: Department of Health and Social Services

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MEDICAID REFORM/PFD/HSAS/ER

Appropriation: Senior and Disabilities Services USE/STUDIES General Relief/Temporary Assisted Living

Sponsor: **KELLY** OMB Component Number: 2875

Requester: Senate Rules

Title:

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

		Included in						
	FY2017	Governor's						
	Appropriation	FY2017	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
	Requested	Request						
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2017	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	
Personal Services								
Travel								
Services								
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits				(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)	
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)	

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund				(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)	(4,689.9)

Positions

Full-time				
Part-time				
Temporary				

Change in Revenues				

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2016) cost:

(separate supplemental appropriation required)

(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2017) cost: (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section) (separate capital appropriation required)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? yes If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/18

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Corrects the year of first anticipated UGF savings under 1915(i) option for CS SB 74 version U.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

In part, **CSSB74(FIN)** authorizes the DHSS to apply for federal waivers and options to reform the Medicaid program and to assess the most cost-effective method for revising expansion coverage.

Section 28, p.25 lines 27-29 require the department to "reduce the cost of... senior and disabilities services provided to recipients of medical assistance under the state's home and community based waiver."

Section 19, lines 10-13, subsection (d) (1) of the bill directs the Department to apply for the 1915(i) option under Medicaid.

Making use of the 1915(i) option offers the Department the opportunity to shift eligible recipients from 100% general funded grant programs to the 50% federal/50% general fund funded 1915(i) Medicaid option.

General Relief/Temporary Assistance (GR) provides temporary residential care for vulnerable adults who are ineligible for assistance from other programs. The Department assumes that all general relief recipients will be assessed for eligibility under the 1915(i) or behavioral health 1115 demonstration project. Of those assessed, the Department anticipates 349 being eligible for the 1915(i) option.

Current funding for GR program: \$7,323.9

Total number served: 545

Average cost per individual: \$13,438.35 Estimated eligible for 1915(i): 349

General fund services to be refinanced through the 1915(i) Medicaid option = \$ 4,689.9

Changes to the State Plan and regulations are required to implement the new option and would involve extensive public comment. The Department expects the 1915(i) option for temporary assisted living services to be implemented by FY2018.

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